COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF Docket No. TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large-Entity) USUI-12N In Re Application Of: Shoichiro Usui MAR 1 8 2004 Filing Date Examiner Group Art Unit Serial No. 09/731,170 December 6, 2000\ Lugo, C. 3677 Invention: HIGH-PRESSURE METAL PIPE HAVING CONNECTING HEAD AND METHOD OF FORMING THE CONNECTING HEAD AS WELL AS SLEEVE WASHER FOR THE CONNECTING HEAD TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of Nov. 19, 2003 in the above-identified application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): ☐ Two months ☐ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months Feb. 19, 2004 Mar. 19, 2004 from: until: Date Date RECEIVED MAR 2 2 2004 **GROUP 360b** The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below: **CLAIMS AS AMENDED CLAIMS REMAINING** HIGHEST# NUMBER EXTRA **ADDITIONAL** RATE PREV. PAID FOR AFTER AMENDMENT **CLAIMS PRESENT** FEE **TOTAL CLAIMS** 20 10 0 \$18.00 \$0.00 INDEP. CLAIMS 1 3 0 \$86.00 \$0.00 Χ \$0.00 FEE FOR AMENDMENT \$110.00 FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME \$110.00 TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME 03/19/2004 HVUONG1 00000052 031030 09731170 01 FC:1251 110.00 DA

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  - Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
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